

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 HONG K 00964 271231Z

51

ACTION EA-10

INFO OCT-01 AF-06 ISO-00 OMB-01 SAJ-01 SAM-01 CIAE-00

DODE-00 PM-03 H-01 INR-07 L-02 NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-01

RSC-01 PRS-01 SP-02 SS-15 USIA-06 IO-10 NIC-01 /075 W

----- 049524

R 270901Z JAN 75

FM AMCONSUL HONG KONG

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3613

AMEMBASSY NOUAKCHOTT

INFO AMEMBASSY TAIPEI

USLO PEKING

C O N F I D E N T I A L HONG KONG 964

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, CH, MR

SUBJECT: NEW PRC AMBASSADOR TO MAURITANIA: KANG MAO-CHAO

1. KANG MAO-CHAO, PEKING'S NEW AMBASSADOR TO NOUAKCHOTT, DEPARTED FOR POST JANUARY 21, ACCORDING TO AN NCNA REPORT. A VETERAN FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL, KANG'S FIRST POSTING ABROAD WAS IN DECEMBER 1950 AS COUNSELOR OF THE PRC EMBASSY IN NEW DELHI WHERE HE HANDLED CULTURAL AFFAIRS UNTIL HIS TRANSFER TO KABUL IN JULY 1956. APPOINTED AS COUNSELOR, IN 1957 AND 1958 HE SERVED AS CHARGE OF THE EMBASSY IN AFGHANISTAN.

2. IN JUNE 1959, KANG WAS NAMED DEPUTY-DIRECTOR OF THE MOFA'S INFORMATION DEPARTMENT WHERE HE SERVED AT LEAST UNTIL DECEMBER 1963. DURING HIS TOUR, HE ACCOMPANIED PREMIER CHOU EN-LAI ON VISITS TO BURMA, INDIA, NEPAL AND CAMBODIA. IN OCTOBER 1964, KANG WAS IDENTIFIED AS CHARGE OF THE PRC EMBASSY IN BELGRADE, POSITION HE HELD UNTIL HIS RETURN TO PEKING IN SEPTEMBER 1966 DURING THE CULTURAL REVOLUTION. WE HAVE NO INFORMATION REGARDING HIS ACTIVITIES DURING THE CULTURAL REVOLUTION PERIOD WHEN MOST OF CHINA'S TOP DIPLOMATS WERE RECALLED. HOWEVER, IN JUNE 1969, HE WAS APPOINTED AMBASSADOR TO CAMBODIA. FOLLOWING THE MAY 1970 COUP IN PHNOM PENH, KANG
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 HONG K 00964 271231Z

RETURNED TO PEKING, BECOMING CHINA'S AMBASSADOR TO SIHANOUK'S

EXILED GRUNK GOVERNMENT. UNTIL HIS RECENT APPOINTMENT TO MAURITANIA, HIS PRIMARY TASKS APPEAR TO HAVE INVOLVED THE CARE AND FEEDING OF SIHANOUK.

3. PRIOR TO 1949, KANG REPORTEDLY HEADED THE PROPAGANDA SECTION OF A PLA ARMY CORPS POLITICAL DEPARTMENT. HE IS MARRIED BUT WE HAVE NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING HIS EARLY LIFE OR BACKGROUND.
CROSS

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: AMBASSADOR DESIGNATE, BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION, PERSONNEL ASSIGNMENTS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 27 JAN 1975
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: RowellE0
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975HONGK00964
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D750029-0605
From: HONG KONG
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t19750118/aaaaapxt.tel
Line Count: 70
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION EA
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: RowellE0
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 01 JUL 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <01 JUL 2003 by KelleyW0>; APPROVED <13 NOV 2003 by RowellE0>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
05 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: NEW PRC AMBASSADOR TO MAURITANIA: KANG MAO-CHAO
TAGS: PFOR, PDIP, CH, MR, (KANG MAO-CHAO)
To: STATE NOUAKCHOTT
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 05 JUL 2006